



## BY TELEGRAPH.

GERMAN EMPEROR IN ENGLAND.

Increase in the Canadian Revenue.

IMPERIAL CONSENT TO CANADIAN ACT.

German-Spanish Relations.

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 8.

The Emperor Frederick arrived at Buckingham Palace yesterday.

A deputation of Greeks have been received, expressing their pleasure at the betrothal of the Empress's daughter to the Crown Prince of Greece.

The Canadian revenue for five months of the fiscal year is nearly sixteen million dollars, being a million and a half over a corresponding period last year.

No more yellow fever cases are reported from Florida.

The Imperial Government assents to the Canadian act for abolishing appeal in criminal cases to a judicial committee of the Privy Council.

The French Government deny having invited the Pope to France, in case of war.

The relations between Germany and Spain are unpleasant.

The Irish bishops have sent a letter to the Pope, giving full adhesion to the second rescript.

Special to the Colonist.

The Placentia Bazar.

PLACENTIA, This Afternoon.

The Placentia bazar closed on Thursday evening, after having proved a grand success. The lotteries will come off this evening, and a general lottery of prizes will be drawn next Wednesday. It is again requested that the duplicates be sent to Father Clancy by Tuesday next.

## OUR ADVERTISING PATRONS.

Choice table butter.....J & W Pitts  
Baird's Balsam of Horehound.....see advt  
Timely advice.....see advt  
Government notice.....W R Stirling  
\$1 00 laundry soap.....Clift, Wood & Co  
Baird's liniment.....see advt  
Public notice.....P W Kelly  
New dress goods.....at Furlong's  
Sweet oranges, etc.....James Murray  
Furniture.....Callahan, Glass & Co  
Oysters, apples, etc.....P Rogerson & Son  
Xmas toys.....at Woods's  
Lottery at St. Patrick's Hall.....see local column  
Direct from London.....George E Bearn  
Pianos for sale.....W D Halley  
Ladies' jackets, etc.....Marshall & Rodger

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### NOTICE.

HAVING BEEN APPOINTED Agent for the sale of Messrs. COLLARD & COLLARD'S celebrated PIANOS, in this country, I am prepared to show plates of these instruments; quote prices, and take orders till the samples arrive.

W. D. HALLEY,  
dec8,fp,8-15-23&29 Agent for Newfoundland.

## MARVELOUS OFFER

## New Dress Goods.

Dress Melton, worth 20 cents, reduced to 15 cents.  
Dress Melton, worth 25 cents, reduced to 19 cents.  
Dress Melton, worth 35 cents, reduced to 27 cents.  
Habit Foule, worth 35 cents, reduced to 25 cents.  
Habit Foule, worth 45 cents, reduced to 33 cents.  
Mohair Stripe, with 40 cents, reduced to 33 cents.  
Sponline Stripe, with 60 cents, reduced to 40 cents.

All the above are new this Season, and this offer is close on cost, at 3, Arcade Buildings, 3.

J., J. & L. FURLONG.

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At the New Cash Grocery Store,

No. 339 Duckworth Street,

CORNER BECK'S COVE,

Sweet Oranges—25 cents per dozen

Apples—12 cents per dozen

Tea—20 cents per pound.

JAMES MURRAY.

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## New Advertisements.

# MARSHALL & RODGER.

Large Shipments of Seasonable Goods!

AT THE

## PEOPLE'S WAREHOUSE!

Ladies' Jackets and Jerseys; Ladies' and Children's Ulsters  
Ladies' Black and Coloured Waterproof Cloaks  
Ladies' Fur Boas, Muffs and Capes; Ladies' Wool Clouds and Squares  
Mens' Tweed and Diagonal Suits—best value ever offered  
Boys' Tweed and Diagonal Suits—in endless variety  
Boys' Tweed Coats—given away for 50 cents.

WHILE WE DO NOT ADVERTISE

Goods at 50 per cent. less than Cost,

We publish the undisputed fact: "The People's Warehouse is not only the Best, but also the Cheapest place to purchase all kinds of DRY GOODS and GROCERIES.

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MARSHALL & RODGER.

## FURNITURE!

The best made at the Lowest Price in the City.

CALLAHAN, GLASS & CO.

december8 Duckworth and New Gower Streets.

## Cheap Sale of New Goods!

Still Remaining a Great variety of

## LADIES' JERSEY JACKES--Otter Trimmed.

Long Mantles, German-made; Dolman and Dolmanettes, and all the Leading Styles in Ulsters and Ulster Clothes.

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JOHN STEER.

Just Received, per s.s. Peruvian.

## 300 PAIRS WOMEN'S BUTTONED BOOTS,

\$1.50 per pair; worth \$2.00.

Also, 100 Pieces White Calico, selling at 7cts per yd—Extra Value—for 10cts.

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JOHN BAIRD.

## BOOK-HOLDERS' NOTICE.

The Book holders of the Benevolent Irish Society's Lottery are respectfully requested to forward the coupons and money to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of December next, as the drawing will take place on the 15th.

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JOHN J. O'REILLY,

Treasurer Fin. Com.

## Standard MARBLE Works.

287 New Gower-St.  
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

I invite the public to inspect my large and very excellent

—STOCK OF—

HEAD-STONES,  
MONUMENTS, TOMBS, MANTELPieces, &c.

At rates sufficiently reasonable to defy competition. I guarantee solid stock and the best of workmanship. Outport orders solicited. Designs furnished by letter or otherwise. Special reduction on all goods ordered during the summer. Cement & plaster for sale.

JAMES MCINTYRE.

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## Wooden BEDSTEADS.

(AMERICAN MANUFACTURE.)

\$1.00

For Sale by J. & W. Pitts

60 Wooden Bedsteads, Amer. manufacture,

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CLIFT, WOOD & CO.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## Hardware Hardware

(ENGLISH AND AMERICAN.)

## Fox & Otter Traps

CONVEX AND FLAT

## WASHERS.

[ASSORTED SIZES.]

## Nails--All Kinds.

ROOFING FELT, ETC.

## CHEAP! CHEAP! CHEAP!

ARCADE HARDWARE STORE.

## M. MONROE.

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## BAIRD'S BALM OF HOREHOUND.

IS COMPOSED OF CHOICE GUMS and other vegetable remedial agents that soothe and allay the most obstinate cough. BAIRD'S BALM OF HOREHOUND will give relief as if by magic. See that you get BAIRD'S. Price, 25 cts.; 5 bottles for \$1.00.

Mr. R. S. McDonald, of Alma, Albert County, writes:—More than a year I was troubled with a cough and a tickling sensation in the throat and could get no relief until I tried a bottle of Baird's Balsam. Less than one bottle completely cured me and I have frequently recommended it to others since, who tell me they find it a perfect cure for such affections. dec8

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

Revision of Books of Appraisal, Water Company, 1888.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE Court of Sessions will sit from day to day, commencing on FRIDAY, the 8th instant, for the period of One Calendar Month, from Twelve o'clock, a.m. to Two o'clock, p.m., for the Revision of such Appraisal, and to hear and finally determine all objections, and amend or confirm said Appraisal. And after the expiration of the period of holding such Court the appraisal shall, for the purposes thereof, be final and binding upon all persons whose names are on the list of names next following the making and revision thereof.

Court House, St. John's, Nov. 6th, 1888

R. R. W. LILLY,

Clerk of the Peace.

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## FOR SALE BY WEST & RENDELL,

200 boxes Valencia Raisins  
50 cases Currants  
25 barrels Light F. M. Pork  
25 barrels Packet Beef—'Halstead'  
75 barrels Mess Pork—'Armour'  
100 barrels Peas  
200 half-barrels Peas d7,2ifp

## Holland Bulbs

—AND—

## WINTER PLANTS!

Just Received,

From the DINGEE & CONRAD CO.'S, a small and choice supply of above, in excellent condition for immediate planting. Offered at mere cost and charges, just to pay expenses. Apply at once.

BOWDEN & SONS.

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## BAIRD'S LINIMENT.

JOHN T. HARTT, Esq., St. Francis, Madawaska Co., N.B., writes, Jan. 12th, 1883:—"I have been selling your medicines for the last six months, and having occasion to use your Baird's Liniment in my family, I must say that for a family Liniment it is the best I have ever used. I could send you at least half a dozen testimonials to the merits of the Baird's Liniments from other parties who have benefited by its use."

Alex. Campbell, of Black Brook, N.B., writes: I consider your Baird's Liniment the best remedy I have ever tried for Sprains and Lameness. I have also found it very beneficial in cases of bad sore throat. dec8

## CARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN DESIR-ous of acquiring a knowledge of the French language during the winter months, can be afforded an opportunity of such instruction at International Hotel, St. Pierre, J. B. Duquesnel, proprietor. Further particulars can be obtained by applying to THOMAS MITCHELL, No 1 Maxse Terrace, Queen's Road, St. John's. n24,4w,s&w,fp

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



## Government Notice

### SEALED TENDERS

Will be received at the Board of Works Office until MONDAY, 17th inst., at noon, for supplying the

Lunatic Asylum, Hospitals, Poor Asylum, Gaol and other Public Institutions.

with the following articles for Twelve months, from 1st Jan'y, 1889, viz:—

Fresh Beef and Mutton.....	per lb
Bread—best wheat.....	per lb
Biscuits—good, Nos 2 and 3.....	per cwt
Pork—heavy mess, of 200 lbs.....	per bri
Pork—family mess, of 200 lbs.....	per bri
Flour—superfine, States.....	per bri
Flour—Canada, super extra.....	per bri
Oatmeal—Canadian.....	per bri
Peas—split and round.....	per bri
Molasses.....	per imp gal
Butter.....	per lb
Coffee.....	per lb
Tea—good Congo, to be accompanied by samples.....	per lb
Sugar—best Porto Rico.....	per cwt or lb
Sugar—crushed.....	per cwt or lb
Soap—Scotch.....	per cwt or lb
Soap—Liverpool.....	per cwt or lb
Rice—Carolina.....	per cwt or lb
Rice—East Indian.....	per cwt or lb
Candles—Mould.....	per lb
Kerosene Oil—fire-test, 150.....	per gallon
Sago.....	per lb
Barley—pearl and pot.....	per lb
Arrowroot—best Bermuda.....	per lb
Washing Soda.....	per lb
Starch.....	per lb
Blue.....	per lb
Pepper.....	per lb
Mustard.....	per lb
Salt—fine.....	per lb
Salt—coarse.....	per hhd
Blacklead.....	per cwt or lb
Whiting.....	per lb
Onions.....	per lb
Blacking.....	per doz tins
Matches.....	per doz bxs
Vinegar.....	per gallon
Lime Juice.....	per gallon
Porter.....	per dozen
Milk.....	per gallon
Eggs.....	per dozen
Fish—best salted cod.....	per cwt
Calavanes.....	per lb
Tobacco.....	per lb
Bran.....	per bag
Corn.....	per bag

All of the articles to be of the best quality and deliverable at the Institutions in such quantities and at such times as may be required by the Superintendent, and subject to rejection, without appeal from his decision, if not approved of.

Tenders for the supply of all or either of the above articles will be received, as also for each Institution, separately.

The prices to be stated in words at length and Tenders to be addressed to the Secretary.

Good and sufficient security for the performance of the contract required.

Payment made quarterly.

The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. (By order.)

W. R. STIRLING,

Secretary.

BOARD OF WORKS OFFICE,

8th December, 1888. dec8,fp



## Post Office Notice.

### PLACENTIA BAY MAILS.

MAILS WILL BE DESPATCHED FROM Placentia, per steamer Hercules, on Monday mornings for Red Island, Rams Island, Harbor Buffett, Haystack, Black River, Sound Island, Baron's Island, Burgeo, Isle Valen and Mersheen. And on WEDNESDAY mornings for Presque, Paradise, Bain Harbor, Odein, Flat Islands, Burin, St. Lawrence, Lamaline and St. Pierre.

Mails for Red Island and Northern Offices, will leave St. John's on SATURDAY mornings, by train, for Presque and Western Offices, on TUESDAY mornings, all closing at 9 o'clock.

J. O. FRASER,

General Post Office, Postmaster Gen.

St. John's, Dec. 4th, '88. / 101,fp



## Public Notice.

THE ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUN- cil hereby give notice that tenders addressed to the Secretary will be received until noon Monday, the 17th December, for the supply of

## 100 TONS PAVING STONE,

Viz: 50 tons deliverable at the Public Cove near Messrs. J. & W. Stewart's; 50 tons deliverable at the Public Cove near Messrs. Job's. The whole subject to the Inspector's approval.

P. W. KELLY,

Secretary.

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## JOB PRINTING

Of every description neatly and expeditiously executed at the COLONIST Job Printing Office.



## The Queensland Governorship

An incident not intrinsically important, but of great significance, has recently occurred in connection with the appointment of a governor of one of the Australian provinces. Queensland is not one of the largest or most important of the Australian colonies, but she has undertaken to intervene in the case of an imperial appointment, under circumstances and with results that cannot fail to start many reflections among British statesmen.

The British government appoint governors in the case of all the Australian provinces still. Since 1867 we have been quit of imperial governors in all the provinces, and only the governor-general of the Dominion owes his appointment to the home authorities. Not long since a vacancy being imminent in Queensland the colonial office undertook to appoint Sir Henry Arthur Blake, at present governor of Newfoundland, to the post of governor of Queensland. The word was barely circulated before there arose a general outburst of dissatisfaction and protest. So far as we can gather, the objection of the people of Queensland is that Sir Henry Blake is not a large enough man for the post. Considering the high position he is called upon to fill, they seem to regard it as essential that the man shall have some talents and endowments—some capacity for statesmanship—and it is not enough that he be a mere respectable figure head.

The dissatisfaction with the appointment of Sir Henry Blake took definite form at a very early moment. The acting governor of Queensland, Sir Arthur H. Palmer, at once telegraphed to Lord Knutsford, colonial secretary, announcing the universal dissatisfaction which prevailed. He said that Sir Henry Blake had not been known to have administered a responsible government with discretion and success; his experience in colonial governorship was confined to one year at Newfoundland, while his previous experience would only disqualify him for the duties he had been called upon to perform. Sir Arthur added that the objection in Queensland was spontaneous, immediate and general, and was more strongly accentuated because the nomination followed a crisis in which rigid adherence to the exercise of privilege had to give way to responsible government. And here follows the most remarkable statement considering, of course, that Sir Arthur is only conveying formally the sentiments of his advisers. Sir Arthur says in despatch:

"A governor cannot be appointed from an imperial standpoint alone. The colony pays the salary, and expects to be given a governor whom the people approve and who will work heartily and loyally for the colony."

This doctrine must have startled the redtape officials of the circumlocution office in Downing-street, for it is, indeed, novel and far-reaching. To have the imperial authorities told in blunt and plain language that they do not know how to select governors; that their selection in the case in point was a bad one; that the selection was not an imperial one alone, but one that concerned the province and in which she intended to have a say, and, in a word, that Blake would not do, and the colonial office might look round and hunt up some other and more suitable man. This, certainly, is bearding the lion in his den.

If such a pretension had been set up twenty years ago it would have met with a prompt and unutterable snub from the imperial authorities. But the remarkable part of it all is that the instant the pre-emptory objection of the Queensland people is communicated to the colonial office the government back down, and withdraw their nominee, Sir Henry Blake. This gives a complete moral victory to the Queensland authorities, and places the relation between the home and colonial authorities in the matter of appointing governors in an entirely new light.

One cannot doubt that the imperial authorities have acted wisely in yielding to the wide-spread dissatisfaction at the appointment, but at the same time the necessity of yielding to this wish of the Queensland people indicates in a most significant manner the delicacy of the relations between the home government and the government of the several colonies. They will not bear any strain. They have to be tenderly managed or there is a storm. The moral effect of the incident will not be good in the colonial office. Other colonies are likely to take a sharp look at proposed governors, and if they do not happen to suit they will simply declare that they won't have them and that will end the matter. So far as Canada is concerned no question could possibly have been raised up to this date, for men of excellent talent and position have invariably been sent as governor-generals. But, no doubt, an unsatisfactory appointment would be resented here, as well as in Queensland. The tie which binds the colonies to Great Britain is a silken thread, and owes very little to the exercise of right or power.

—Halifax Chronicle.

The members of the Gaelic Athletic Association made their last appearance in America on Saturday evening, Oct. 20, at Madison-square Garden. There will be a gold medal to first and silver to second in each event. Rules of the Gaelic Athletic association to govern all contests.

## Nationhood For Wales.

### ITS NATIONAL COUNCIL ISSUES A STIRRING MANIFESTO.

The Welsh Question to Take Its Place at Westminster with the Irish and Scotch Question—Tithes Paid to an Alien Church and Rents to an Alien Landlordry.

(continued.)

In these grave circumstances vast numbers of farmers are left at the mercy of landlords, whose political instincts and sectarian interests tempt them to take unfair advantage of men absolutely dependent on them. The memory of the wholesale political evictions of 1867 and continued efforts to substitute church for chapel tenants deepens the anxiety and adds bitterness to the situation of these unhappy farmers. It is imperative that some sure and real remedy should be found for such evils. It is impossible that large bodies of the most frugal and thrifty peasantry in the realm should, owing to no fault of their own, be placed by reason of their political opinions and their religion at the imminent risk of being divorced from their occupation and their homes. The conscience and patriotism of the Welsh people forbid further acquiescence in such a state of things. They demand the intervention and help of the state. We ask on behalf of the tenant farmers of Wales for a land act which shall at least insure the elementary requisites of equitable rents, security of tenure, and complete compensation for all agricultural improvements.

Here, then, is the Welsh programme, and to an Irishman the first remark that seems proper to be made in respect of it is that it is curiously like that which was the popular programme in Ireland in the past. Now, for the means which are proposed for realizing this programme. On this point there is not amongst the Welsh popular leaders that absolute unanimity which prevails as to the objects to be attained. They agree, indeed, to a certain extent on this point. At the meeting at Newton, the following motion was agreed to after considerable discussion: "That this council desires to call the attention of the Liberal members of parliament for Welsh constituencies to the necessity of more effectually organizing their action in the House of Commons for the purpose of carrying through legislation on all points of the Welsh national programme, and of otherwise promoting the honor, welfare and the industrial interests of the principality, and of appointing whips from among themselves wholly in sympathy with the Welsh national movement with whom the executive committees of the two federations could communicate and vice versa."

This expression of opinion points to something like the formation of a Welsh party in the House of Commons—a combination or development of which occurred last session, when a committee of Welsh members sat now and then to consider Welsh questions. This would be in itself a distinct and considerable step forward in the new path, but even more advanced views are already held in Wales, especially by the generation that is now growing up into manhood or that has reached manhood. The formation of a regular national party, like the Irish, with whips of its own, is the ideal of a good many active spirits in Wales; and some Welshmen go to even the length of advocating the formation of such a body with the object of acting independently of both the English parties, and with the hope, by holding the balance of power, of being able one day to dictate a policy for Wales to the Parliament at Westminster. Whether this latter prospect will command eventually general acceptance in Wales remains to be seen; meanwhile it does not seem to be approved of by the majority of the Welsh representatives though the majority do seem to be in favor of the establishment of a Welsh party, which would give a general and loyal support to the English and Scotch Liberals. But the most interesting and, as it may turn out, the most important part of the whole story remains to be told. It is that what may, perhaps, be called young Wales, or a section of it goes beyond the manifesto of the national council, not only as to means, but also as to objects. It goes not only for the disestablishment and disendowment of the church, for the nationalization of the tithe, for educational reform, and for land reform; but also for national self-government, or something very like a parliament for Wales. Of this section of Welshmen Mr. Thomas E. Ellis, M. P. for Merionethshire, may be regarded as the spokesman, and he expresses himself as follows on the subject in the current number of the Welsh national periodical, the Cymra Fydd.

(Conclusion on Monday.)

"What are you doing now?" inquired one tramp of another when they met in a country road. "Taking part in the political campaign," said the second tramp. "Well, you are a sweet looking politician. Do you make speeches?" "No, I travel from barbeque to barbeque." Chicago News.

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## Labrador Herring.

### ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & CO.

A few barrels and half-barrels  
CHOICE NO. 1 LABRADOR HERRING.  
N.B.—These Herring having been put up by a trustworthy party, we can confidently recommend them to housekeepers. dec7

## LOBSTER CANS.

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ARE yearly wasted by packers using badly-made cans. The subscriber will book orders for a limited quantity of First-class Lobster Cans, put up in cases made from Extra Stock. Order early.

LUD WURZBURG,  
nov29, 2m, 1wfp Halifax, N.S.

## DR. BEACH'S Celery and Chamomile.

A PERFECT TONIC.  
FOR NERVOUSNESS, Nervous Headache, Tired feelings, Indigestion, Constipation, Melancholy, and all Kidney, Liver, and Stomach troubles. A mild but certain restorative tonic, aperient and diuretic, purely vegetable, and guaranteed to contain nothing injurious whatever. For sale by Druggists in St. John's. nov30

## Popular Twenty Cent Books.

THE SILENCE OF DEAN MATLAND, by Maxwell Gray; A receding Vengeance, by Frank Barrett; The Honorable Mrs. Verker, by the Duchess; Maiwa's Revenge and Mt. Meeson's Will, by H. Rider Haggard; The Legacy of Cain; The Guilty River and I Say No, by W. Collins; The Passage from Scotland Yard, by H. F. Wood; Other People's Money and Within an Inch of His Life, by Gaborian; The Frozen Pirate, by W. Clarke Russell; Katharine Regina and the Inner House, by Walter Besant; In the Golden Days, by Edna Lyall; The Three Clerks; The Land Leaguers and Rachael Ray, by Anthony Trollope; Eve, Court Royal, etc., by S. Baring Gould; Camiola, and Engage Under Gladstone, by Justin McCarthy; Princess Sarah, Cavalry Life, Bootless children, etc., by J.S. Winter; Princess Napraxine, Friendship, Pascarel, etc., by Ouida; The Pleasures of Life, by Sir John Lubbock. Twenty-seven cent books—Jack Dudley's Wife, by E. M. Davy; School Board Essays, by Emmanuel Kirk; Oak Boughs and Wattle Blossoms, by Mrs. Campbell Reed; Devlin the Barber, by B. L. Farjeon; St. Margaret, by W. Firebrick; author of Great Minds in Art; Strange Tales, by One of the Crowd; Paul Ferroll, A Mystery, 25cts; Star-Crossed and Under Currents, 30cts, each; Madame Midas, by Fergus Hume, 27cts. Police Sergeant, C. 21, by Barnett. nov29

## J. F. CHISHOLM.

### Cheese. Cheese.

Just Received, per ss Bonavista,  
**CANADIAN CHEESE,**  
(A very choice article.)

Canadian Split Peas  
Canadian Round Peas—half-barrels  
**JOHN J. O'REILLY,**  
nov26 290 Water-st., 43 to 45 King's Road.

## Baird's Balsam of Horehound

MR. MOODY ROGERS, BRISTOL, Westmoreland Co., N.B., writes:—"I used your Balsam of Horehound for a bad cough some time ago and could find nothing to cure me till I got the Balsam. I think it is the best cough medicine I ever used."

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## FOR SALE.

The Fast-Sailing Schooner  
"Annie J. McKie,"

Sixty-eight tons, 4 years old, well found in sails, anchors and chains, &c. Apply to the Captain on board or  
nov15 CLIFT, WOOD & CO.

**\$4.40.**

## Glacé Bay Coal.

A small cargo, only 70 tons, landing ex schr. May Bell. Sent home for 22s. per ton.  
nov30 CLIFT, WOOD & CO.

## VICTORY.

Now landing, ex ss Portia from New York,  
150 BLS. CHOICE EXTRA FAM. FLOUR  
["Victory"]

An excellent Flour. Will be sold cheap.  
nov27 CLIFT, WOOD & CO.

## Baird's French Ointment.

THIS OINTMENT HAS BEEN USED with the greatest success in the speedy cure of all eruptions arising from an impure state of the blood, or that may have been imparted by contact with diseased persons. Whatever the eruption, or breaking out, on the skin, may be, whether Itch, or Salt Rheum, or Scald Head or Ringworm, or Humor of any kind, a cure may be relied upon. It also stimulates the action of old or indolent Ulcers, Fever Sores, obstinate Sores and Wounds, &c., healing them in many cases immediately and soundly. Sold by all respectable dealers. Price 25 cents a box. Wholesale by R. W. McCarty, St. John. nov30

## Grockeryware & Glassware

—WE ARE SELLING OFF OUR LARGE STOCK OF—

### DINNER, TEA & BREAKFAST SETS,—at cost

—ALSO—

A large assort. Chamber Sets—very handsome patterns.  
**NFLD. FURNITURE & MOULDING CO.**

dec7 C. E. ARCHIBALD, Manager.

## CHEAP: PROVISIONS: AND: GROCERIES.

Flour, Pork, Beef, Butter, Bread, Oatmeal, Peas, Rice, Molasses  
Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Currants, Raisins, Confectionery, Fancy Biscuits, Soap  
Candles, Brooms, Brushes, Calavances, Green Peas, Pearl, Barley, Spices  
Lemon and Citron Peel, Dried Apples, Sole and Upper Leather,  
Shoemakers' Findings, &c., also, a general assortment of Groceries and Liquors.  
SELLING AT LOWEST CASH PRICES.

**GEO. O'REILLY.**  
october23, 31, eod 198 Water Street, six door west of Market House.

## PRESERVE Your Eyesight. PRECIOUS

As NOTHING IS SO VALUABLE AS THE EYESIGHT, IT BEHOVES every one to take the greatest care of it, and not to use the common Spectacles, which in the end destroy the sight. Use LAURANCE'S Spectacles and Eye Glasses; they are perfect and pleasant to wear. Can be had at

aug22, 11p, 21, sp **N. CHMAN'S, Atlantic Hotel**

## A. P. JORDAN.

Stores No. 178 and 180 Water Street.

HAS JUST RECEIVED PER S.S. NOVA SCOTIAN, FROM LIVERPOOL, A splendid stock of Iron Bedsteads, newest patterns, French styles, and are offered at the lowest possible prices. Also, per Arizona, from Boston, American Axes, and 10 brls. of fine Green Peas, Corn Flour, Confectionery—in pails of 30 lbs. each, and other choice lots. I would particularly call the attention of customers requiring a first class cigar to a new lot of about 100 boxes, embracing the choicest brands ever yet imported, and those who require a splendid article would do well to examine this lot. Also in stock first rate Provisions and Groceries of the very best description, sold wholesale and retail, at the lowest profit, as quick sales and small profits are my motto. Teas a speciality.

nov28 **A. P. JORDAN.**

## Brass and Iron Bedsteads.

We have received, per steamship Nova Scotian, a large consignment of

## Brass and Iron Bedsteads—all sizes

COTS, CHAIRS, &c.

WHICH WE OFFER AT EXCEEDINGLY LOW PRICES AT  
**CALLAHAN, GLASS & CO.,**  
october27 Duckworth and Gower Streets

## JOHNSON'S FOR INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL USE.

Cures Diphtheria, Croup, Asthma, Bronchitis, Neuralgia, Pneumonia, Rheumatism, Bleeding at the Lungs, Hoarseness, Influenza, Hacking Cough, Whooping Cough, Catarrh, Cholera Morbus, Dysentery, Chronic Diarrhoea, Kidney Troubles, and Spinal Diseases. We will send free, postpaid, to all who send their names, an illustrated Pamphlet. All who buy or order direct from us, and request it, shall receive a certificate that the money shall be refunded if not abundantly satisfied. Retail price, 25 cts.; 6 bottles, \$2.00. Express prepaid to any part of the United States or Canada. J. B. JOHNSON & CO., P. O. Box 2118, Boston, Mass.

## THE MOST WONDERFUL FAMILY REMEDY EVER KNOWN.

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Genuine Singer Sewing Machine.

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CHAPTER XXXVI.—(continued.)

THE FAIREST OF THEM ALL.

He looked delighted.

"If you can spare this morning, Alice," he said, "I will take you all over it. You will be very tired though; it will be like a long journey."

"Let us take it," she answered, laughing. "It will be very amusing to take a long journey in one's own house."

"You have no idea," said the earl, looking at her bright, beautiful face, "what a strange, romantic old place it is; there are rooms with weird stories. I shall be delighted, and we shall have a most happy morning."

He remembered her for years afterwards as with a quick, graceful gesture she rose from her chair and pushed it away, standing before him tall, erect, and lovely as the fair morning itself, white silk laces trailing on the ground—happy, eager, excited.

"Come at once, Leo," she said; "I shall not be tired, and I shall enjoy it so much."

He dreamed of her years afterwards as she looked then, her face glowing with light, and her rich draperies trailing as she walked with graceful step.

She did enjoy it. It was almost like visiting a city. She went through suite after suite of superb rooms, and they all had a story. At last they reached a broad corridor well lighted with large windows; the floor was covered with a crimson carpet, so thick and so soft that not even a footstep could be heard upon it; white statues gleamed palely; costly jardinières were there that had evidently once been the home of fragrant flowers. There was an air of magnificence about this corridor, yet it did not seem to be much used.

Lady Arden looked round in admiration.

"Why, Leo," she cried, "this is even more beautiful than the western wing!"

"It is a part of the house never used," said Lord Arden; and she saw a gathering gloom on his face.

"Why is that?" she asked.

"It is called 'Lady Sybilla's Corridor,' and these," he added, pointing to three locked doors, "were Lady Sybilla's rooms."

"And who," she added quickly, "was Lady Sybilla?"

"I would rather not tell you," he replied—"I would rather not speak of her."

Lady Arden looked at him in wonder.

"Why not, Leo?" she asked.

"My darling Alice, you may as well ask me why I would not have a black stain of pitch on a white lily leaf."

"I do not understand," she replied, wondering.

"In my eyes, my darling, you are the fairest as you are the purest of women. The story of Lady Sybilla is hardly one that I should like to tell you."

Like a lightning blast, swept over her the memory of the felon's dock and the prison cell. It was like a scorching breath of fire from a furnace, and then it was gone; it left just the sting behind. Who was she, that he should think her too pure and too good to listen to a story of human frailty?

Lord Arden unlocked one of the closed doors, and led the way into one of the most lovely little rooms imaginable. It was quite bare and unfurnished, save that it contained a picture, the face of which was turned to the wall.

"I have not been in this room," said Lord Arden, "since I was a child. This was Lady Sybilla's boudoir."

"Tell me all about her, Leo, or her name will haunt me," said Lady Arden.

"May I look at the picture?"

"It is Lady Sybilla's portrait," he said, "and from the dust that has gathered upon it I do not believe that it has been touched since I turned it to the light many years ago. Look Alice!" he cried, "it is a beautiful face."

Lady Arden gazed with intent eyes. Most truly a beautiful face: young and fair as the face of angel, with wonderful blue eyes and a glory of golden hair; a fresh, laughing mouth, with the most exquisite lips, and dark, straight brows.

"And this is Lady Sybilla," said Lady Arden. "Why, Leo, her eyes seemed to flash out at me, and her lips to smile."

The earl's proud face darkened again.

"Do not say that Alice!" he cried. "I should not like her to smile at you."

"She looks so young, Leo, and so innocent; she has the smile of a child."

"Innocence and she were far apart," he replied. "I will tell you what she did, Alice; then you will understand why her husband turned her face to the wall and refused to look upon it again. I will tell you, for you ought to know the legends and the history of the house. She is very young, you see; she was young even when this portrait was taken of her. Her husband, Earl Adalbert, lived in the reign of George the Second."

"He was, comparatively speaking an elderly man when he met her, and fell deeply in love with her. She was the youngest daughter of an English baron. Earl Adalbert behaved in the most honorable manner to her. She was poor; he took her without fortune; he lavished half his wealth upon her; he trusted her with infinite trust, and he loved her with infinite love. You see that she was young, and gay, fair. He was never happy with her. She liked all that he disapproved and she cared for nothing that was pleasing to him."

"He had not been married one year when he discovered that she had most grossly deceived him; that she had been married secretly, had had a little child, and that her first husband was not dead at the time of his marriage with her, although he had died since."

## CHAPTER XXXVII.

IN THE EASTERN WING.

"EARL ADALBERT was not a hard man," Lord Arden continued. "If she had told him the truth before this marriage, he would have forgiven her, and would have provided for her; even had she told him after the first husband's death, he would have forgiven her and have married her, but she left him to find it out. My experience of human nature is this—a man, or woman either, forgives a sin when it is honestly confessed, but neither man or woman forgives when left to find the sin out."

He did not notice how she started, how her beautiful face flushed, then grew ghastly pale. Why should the story affect this beautiful wife of his?

"As it was," continued Lord Arden, "his anger and indignation knew no bounds; he sent her away, gave her a liberal income, sent her clothes, her jewels, all her furniture that her rooms had held, away with her, turned the face of her portrait to the wall, and never mentioned her name again."

"It was a hard measure," she said in a low voice. "Perhaps she was afraid to tell him."

"Hard measure!" cried Lord Arden, in a sterner voice than she had ever heard him use. "I do not think so. It seems to me perfectly just. These who love truly can never pardon deceit. I am something like my ancestor, Earl Adalbert—I would give anything confessed or confided to me, but I would never forgive a sin that I was left to find out."

"Not even if you loved the sinner?" she said, gently.

"How can any one love without respect?" asked the earl, proudly. "Had Lady Sybilla been my wife, I should have banished her just in the same fashion, if she had kept the secret of a former marriage from me."

Then he looked up in wonder and alarm; there was a stir in the trailing draperies of silk and lace, and the white jeweled hand that held part of the picture frame fell helplessly; he was just in time to save her from falling to the ground. He caught her in his arms and clasped her to his breast; he covered her face with kisses—tender, passionate kisses; he accused himself bitterly of having allowed her to fatigue herself.

"I knew it was too much for you," he said. "I should not have let you do it, Alice. I must take more care of you, my Alice; you are not strong, although you have the faintest rose bloom in your face."

He put the picture aside, thinking no more of the Lady Sybilla. With loving care he escorted his wife to her boudoir; he made her rest while he sat by her side, for he loved her so dearly, alas! alas!—and she herself never mentioned Lady Sybilla again.

The glowing summer and the rich, fruitful autumn waned; Christmas was coming, and Lord Arden was very busy. Lady Arden was well, happy, and as she said to herself at times, with a shuddering sigh, safe—safe from that most wretched past, with its bitter, dark history; safe in the arms of love and luxury. She did not forget to thank Heaven for this safety; she wept tears of untold gratitude for it; she felt like a shipwrecked mariner who has been brought to land; in her heart there was always a well-spring of gratitude; and that very sense of it made her generous, considerate, and thoughtful for others. What an escape she had had! What a narrow risk she had run of being wretched and lonely all the rest of her days.

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and will be issued in good time this year. We  
have already in type literary contributions by  
Archbishop O'Brien, Mr. Justice Piesent, D.C.L.,  
Courtney Kenny, Esq., M.P., James Murray,  
Esq., Miss Carbery, Mr. William Whittle, Bos-  
ton, Mr. S. Prowse, Chicago, and other well-  
known writers. The origin and history of Pamela  
the wife of Lord Edward Fitzgerald, will be  
treated by a gentleman who has carefully studied  
the subject. The illustrations will comprise an  
original sketch for the COLONIST CHRISTMAS  
NUMBER, by Lady Blake; sketches of Pamela,  
scenery, and photographs of prominent public  
men, &c., &c.Those who have not yet sent in their con-  
tributions will please do so early next week. Ad-  
vertisers, also, would oblige by sending in "copy"  
of advertisements immediately. Orders from the  
outposts should be sent in next week to insure  
being filled. The price of publication will be  
the same as last year, with usual discount to per-  
sons ordering large quantities.**Comparisons are Odious**Very naturally we thought we had bagged a  
brace of Confederation birds the other day; but  
our facetious friend of the "Mercury" says Con-  
federation is only "a flea," or rather, it is like  
the Irishman's description of a flea—"When you  
put your thumb on him he's not there." This  
comparison is not very complimentary to the  
plumed knights and their men at arms who were  
such doughty champions of Confederation a few  
months ago; but if the "Mercury" has such a  
contemptuous opinion of them now, we should  
not complain.We are quite well aware that editors of news-  
papers do not invariably endorse what they pub-  
lish from other papers. But the article of the  
"Herald" contained statements which were so  
flatly contradictory of what the "Mercury"  
itself had stated in regard to the Bonavista  
election, that we thought it should have done,  
simultaneously with the publication of the article,  
what it did on Thursday—that is, give a refutation  
of it. The "Mercury" still contends that Con-  
federation is as "dead as Julius Caesar." We  
hope it will back up this statement by a letter  
from Sir James S. Winter.Why didn't Mr. Morine add another paragraph  
to his note in day before yesterday's "Mercury"  
that he had abandoned Confederation? Is it not  
significant that he did not do so? As his letter  
has the unusual merit of being brief, we will  
quote it in full:—

(To the Editor Evening Mercury.)

"St. JOHN'S, Dec. 6th.

"Sir,—Commenting upon an article republi-  
cated by you from the Halifax "Herald," the COLO-  
NIST attributes its authorship to me. Permit me  
to say that I have neither directly nor indirectly  
furnished any information to any Canadian  
papers in reference to the Bonavista election.  
The "Herald's" opinion that Confederation was  
the issue in that contest, is probably due to the  
assertions made by the COLONIST itself prior to  
the election. Yours truly,

A. B. MORINE."

We did not attribute the authorship of the  
article referred to to Mr. Morine; what we did  
say was this: "It is understood that the  
"Herald" is supplied with Newfoundland  
news by Mr. Morine." The authorship of an  
article, and the information on which it is  
based are two different things. Mr. Morine is  
the agent or correspondent of the "Herald," and  
with this no one can find fault, provided the news  
he writes or wires is correct. Now, the Bona-  
vista election was held on the 10th; Mr. Morine  
returned to St. John's on the 11th, and on the  
12th the following despatch was published in the  
"Herald" and other Canadian papers:

"St. JOHN'S, N.F., Nov. 12.

"An important election took place at Bona-  
vista on Saturday in which the question of Con-  
federation with Canada was a factor. Mr. Morine  
the independent candidate was personally  
favorable to Confederation, and was sup-  
ported by Mr. Morine the most enthusiastic  
Confederatist on the Island. He was elected  
by four hundred of a majority. The opposition  
candidate was Mr. Johnson, who was supported  
on the stump by Sir William Whiteway, Mr.  
Bond, M.P.P., Dr. Skelton, M.P.P.; Whiteway  
himself has always been a confederate, but he  
has recently allied himself with the anti-confeder-  
ates in an attempt to defeat the existing govern-  
ment. During the canvass Whiteway said that  
if he was in power he would submit the question  
of Confederation to a popular plebiscite of the  
people. The result is a great victory in favor of  
Confederation, and a great defeat for the White-  
way party, who are temporizing with that ques-  
tion."If it was or not upon this despatch the "Her-  
ald" based the article under consideration; or if  
Mr. Morine didn't send or dictate, and inspire,  
that despatch, we must say that men have been  
hanged on circumstantial evidence not half so  
strong.**THE 'OLD CLO' BUSINESS.****Opinions of a Water Street Draper.****SOLUTION OF THE DIPHTHERIA PROBLEM.**A young man in a Water-street store writes  
so say: I wish you would, in your much-es-  
teemed journal, draw the attention of your readers  
to a phase of the drapery business lately intro-  
duced here by a few grabbers in the trade. I  
refer to the importation of "old clo," the  
cast-off suits of sailors, soldiers, navvies and  
colliers. The material in these goods is but  
cheap stuff at first, and after having been cast  
off by the army of the class above referred to, it  
is scarcely worth putting on. These goods are,  
no doubt, purchased from Jews in the slums of  
London, Liverpool and Manchester by some of  
our gentlemanly (?) buyers when on the other side,  
on the principle that anything is good enough  
for the Newfoundland trade. Some of the  
coats are sold at ninety cents and pants at a  
correspondingly low figure. They are made  
of a "cotton corduroy" of the poorest qual-  
ity. Some persons will, no doubt, say that  
they are very cheap and a boon for the  
workmen, but there is another side to the  
business that must be looked to. It is a well-  
known fact that the Israelites in the "old clo"  
business in large cities are not very particular  
from what source they are supplied and their  
stock of half worn garments is largely filled in  
from the prison, the hospital, and even the morgue.  
They care nothing of the source from which the  
clothes comes as long as they get them cheap. Our  
buyers here who import these goods (and I am  
happy to say there are not many of them amongst  
St. John's business men) cannot help knowing  
whence these goods are obtained, and are  
therefore no better than those from whom they  
buy the clothes. Contagious diseases have often  
been carried in clothing for months, and it would  
be well for the Custom House authorities to  
have these goods examined and fumigated  
when they land here, if they decide hereafter to  
permit them to be landed at all. It is not ne-  
cessary for me to inform your readers of the  
almost unaccountable breaking out of diphtheria  
in isolated localities during the past season. The  
sickness may have been in the air, it may have  
been engendered by bad sewerage; but it would  
be well in future if, when the officers of the Board  
of Health are looking for the cause of the break-  
ing out of diphtheria, in places outside town  
limits especially, that they ascertain if any old  
cast-off clothing referred to has been brought by  
the inmates of the house in which the sickness  
first appeared. I shall, perhaps, refer to the  
unfairness to the tailors and others by this trade,  
in a future letter. I may say that I do not be-  
lieve that even the most avaricious importer  
would sell their goods, if they thought that they  
contained germs of disease; but it is just as well  
to draw their attention to one of the possibilities  
of the anything but respectable trade.**LOSS OF THE "BLANCHE."****The Captain and Crew Saved**Messrs. John Woods & Sons received a tele-  
gram, yesterday, from Glace Bay, announcing  
the loss of their vessel, (the "Blanche") between  
Lingan and Glace Bay. The "Blanche" was a  
new vessel and was purchased at Boston, for the  
Messrs Woods, and brought here by Captain  
French—who has since commanded her—about 3  
months ago. She left here on Saturday last, for  
Glace Bay, for a load of coals. She experienced  
rough weather and head winds all the way, and  
the night was both stormy and foggy when she  
went ashore. The vessel was insured, but the  
cargo she was to bring had been sold in advance,  
which makes the loss a great inconvenience to  
her owners. The captain and crew will come  
home by the first opportunity.**DR. RENDELL CERTIFIES**There are some cases of diphtheria reported  
from the Ordnance Yard, three of Mr. Bindon's  
children being down with it. A child belonging  
to Mr. John Flynn, who lives next door to Mr.  
Bindon, died last week, and many were under  
the impression that it was from diphtheria and  
that the sickness originated in Mr. Flynn's house;  
but the following note from Dr. Rendell, suffi-  
ciently removes the impression:—"I hereby certify that Mr. Flynn's child died  
of croup."

H. RENDELL."

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Amount acknowledged.....	\$374.20
P. J. Kenny.....	0.50
Gladston.....	1.00
Mrs. Wm. Kitchen.....	5.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$380.70</b>

JOHN J. O'REILLY, Treasurer.

**POLITICAL PAUPER RELIEF.****Eleventh Letter From "John Knox."**

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR,—My last letter referred to the dis-  
honest practice, so common under all forms of  
past government, of giving charity, in the shape  
of so-called labor, at the expense of the common  
taxpayer of the country. The Municipal Act, if  
it puts an end to anything, should surely put an  
end to this. The dishonest practice referred to  
was never advocated by those who love the poor,  
or had any sincere pity for the poor, but was an  
easy mode of exercising a cheap sort of philan-  
thropy, for political purpose, by a worthless, in-  
dolent, class of "spongers" on this community,  
whose successive "sponging," continued from  
one generation to another, and handed down  
from sire to son, has done more to impoverish  
this town, and drive its better class of inhabi-  
tants out of it, than all other mere providential  
causes combined. What would be thought, in  
any other part of the world, of a country so rich  
as this is in free natural resources for the indu-  
strious to acquire, if it were told that this coun-  
try is unable to provide for the natural increase  
of its population? that the latter were thereby  
forced into involuntary exile, and that, all this  
time, the country itself remained a home-par-  
adis for political rogues and paupers? Why, it  
would be said,—That country inverts the natural  
order of affairs. It rewards the indolent and  
turns out of doors the thrifty. It treasures the  
rogue and the mendicant, and forces its indepen-  
dent (because industrious and self-sustaining),  
citizens to emigrate. It tries to build itself up  
by taxing into exile the best portion of its popu-  
lation, for the benefit of the worst,—the idle,  
the vicious, the dissipated, the incapable, the  
"loafer," the "bummer," and the thief!And such, Mr. Editor is the sober fact. It is  
about time for us to wake up to that fact, and to  
speak plainly about it, unless we are content to  
see the whole population reduced to the same  
level, morally, socially and financially. The  
effect of our past mismanagement of public affairs  
has been to so increase, for this worst kind of  
pauper relief system, the general ratio of taxation,  
that the latter, in connection with the extent of  
labor facilities afforded here, is so great, that the  
new growth of our population, and that element  
which is alone worth keeping in the country,  
will not settle here, but is leaving us for the  
United States and Canada. Every productive  
family that thus leaves our shores, earning an  
average of £100 per annum, involves a loss of  
from TEN to TWENTY POUNDS each year to  
the general revenue. This loss has to be made  
up by those of us who are left behind; and it is  
a sore heart-break to most of us that the "tug"  
has to be endured, to so large an extent, for the  
sake of supporting a class of useless, political  
filth, whose only excuse (in the case of most  
of them) is, that they are only public loafers, and  
not public robbers as well.But, so far as this municipality is concerned,  
this old political "game" must and shall have  
an end. The members for St. John's East and  
West, who have so culpably indicted upon the  
ratepayers of this town the present defective and  
fraudulent Act, will not be allowed to make that  
Act a cover for their dishonest political purposes  
any longer. The municipality has nothing to do  
with politics, nor the rate-payers of this town with  
the support of the casual or habitual poor. If  
any or all of the sitting members, through their  
confederates in the Municipal Council, try on that  
"game" now, they will soon find themselves in  
the wrong box. We have had enough of being  
charitable by "proxy"—of masquerading as  
pitiors of the poor at other people's expense, of  
robbing Peter to give alms to Paul for the benefit  
of Judas, and henceforth the "thief" is going to  
be called by his proper name, and the robber is  
going to get his real title—the most honorable  
"title" he is ever likely to get—straight to his  
face. It is all very well for men to call  
themselves "honorable," and to get their stick-  
y-palmed confederates to glorify them with fine  
names, but no man is "honorable" who is not  
first "honest," and no man is honest who puts  
his hand into the public pocket merely because he  
has the power of doing so. As I said before, in  
the course of these articles, Opportunity makes  
the thief; but it is also true that Opportunity  
develops, or makes manifest, the thief. Any  
man who is only honest when his master is look-  
ing at him, or, in other words, when he has no  
chance to be otherwise than honest, is not an  
honest man. Many men are only undeveloped  
thieves, and the extent to which they develop dis-  
honest tendencies is only commensurate with the  
extent of their opportunities. In America they say,  
First we get on; then we get honor; then we  
get honest. In Newfoundland the political  
process is exactly reversed. First we get dis-  
honest; then we get leave to call ourselves  
"honorable," and, last of all, we become in-  
vested with the power to make laws for the gov-  
ernment of the industrious and the honest, of  
such a kind as will not only ruin them, but also  
reward us, the thieves, with a fat percentage  
while in the act of doing so!

Yours truly, JOHN KNOX.

St. John's, Dec. 8, 1888.

**OPINIONS OF THE PRESS****On Sir Hy. A. Blake.**

(From the Irish Times, Conservative, Nov. 26.)

Whatever the decision of the Cabinet may  
have been on Saturday in relation to the Blake  
Governorship, there is no independent Irishman  
who can dream of doing otherwise than condemn-  
ing in the strongest way the spirit exhibited by  
an intolerant class of politicians amongst us,  
who have raised an outcry against a brother  
Irishman for no better reason than that he differ-  
ed in opinion from themselves. It has been a  
humiliating spectacle. The people of Newfound-  
land who have had experience of Sir Henry  
Blake have borne the highest testimony to his  
qualities as a governor, to his abilities, his tem-  
per, and his statesmanship. They have been  
sorry to lose him, and why should his countrymen  
not rejoice when an Irishman makes so excellent  
an impression in high place in the Colonies? Whether  
he was the best person for Queensland is another  
matter, and all that has been urged against  
the appointment has, no doubt, been taken into  
account. It appears now, from a speech by Sir  
Henry Parkes, in the legislative assembly of Syd-  
ney, that the Australians are chiefly annoyed be-  
cause a more important man than one who has  
suddenly risen from the ranks was not sent out  
there. They think their dignity is disregarded  
unless an eminent parliamentarian or a great noble  
who has already made for himself a name, is not  
given to them as governor. It is an idea which  
no Home Government would have any defence for  
treating with disrespect, since it implies a desire  
not to shake off any part of the influence of the  
mother country, but only to be regarded as a very  
important and deserving part of it. It was unfair  
to Sir Henry Blake, however, to make the rule—to  
call it such—apply retrospectively to his damage.  
The appointment, it is rumored, has now been  
by the Imperial Government revoked, Sir Henry  
Blake having, in fact, resigned. There was no  
course for him since, if he went to the place he  
could not expect to be received otherwise than  
with unwelcome manifestations. Employment,  
however, will, no doubt, be found elsewhere for  
one who certainly did not deserve the treatment  
which has been given to him.**SUPREME COURT.**

SATURDAY, Dec. 8th.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE PIESSENT, D.C.L.)  
**Colonial Cordage Co. Limited, versus**  
**Clift, Wood & Co.**Judgment for plaintiffs for \$272. Mr. Morison,  
for plaintiffs; Mr. McNeily, Q.C., for defendants.  
The Court adjourned till Monday at 11 o'clock.**LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.**The steamer Volunteer left Burin at 8.30 p.m.  
today, bound west.Mr. John Dwyer, Oak Farm, did some plough-  
ing on his land this morning.The various School of Art classes will resume  
work on the usual days during next week.The steamer Nova Scotian will, probably, sail  
from Halifax for this port Monday afternoon, in-  
stead of at noon.The lottery of tickets for the grand money  
drawing will be continued tonight, in St. Patrick's  
Hall, from 7.30 to 10.30 p.m. Admission free.The prize at Mrs. Jas. P. Furlong's table; of a  
shaving case, lotteried by Miss Viguers, was won  
by Mr. T. J. Murphy, M.H.A., ticket No. 26.The follow prize (lotteried at the Bazar of the  
Star of the Sea Hall, by Mrs. D. Goss,) was won  
by Miss Jane Brown, Catalina, ticket No. 50:—  
A grand toilet set.Passengers per steamer Plover from the North-  
ward:—Messrs. Delgado, Verge, Fortune, Quirk,  
Maouel, Thompson, Bowman, Scott, Hadon,  
and nine in steerage.At a meeting of the shareholders of the Elec-  
tric Light Company, held in their rooms yester-  
day, it was decided to increase the capital stock  
of the company from thirty-two thousand to forty-  
five thousand dollars.A correspondent informs us that one evening  
during the past week there were closeted in Sir  
James Winter's office, Messrs. Winter, Morison,  
Scott, Morine and Penny. It is scarcely possible  
that such a galaxy of "fixed stars" should come  
together without portending a political eclipse.**MARRIAGES.**O'BRIEN-O'DONNELL.—On Wednesday last, at  
the R. C. Cathedral, by the Ven. Archdeacon  
Forristal Mr. Wm. O'Brien, of St. John's, to Miss  
Mary O'Donnell, of Jersey Islands.**DEATHS.**HUNT.—At Briggs, yesterday afternoon, of con-  
sumption, John Fitzgerald Hunt, nephew of Mr.  
Wm. Hunt (tinsmith), aged 27 years.—R.I.P.  
COOPER.—On the 6th inst., Elizabeth, relict of  
the late Charles Cooper, of Grates Cove, aged 88  
years. Funeral tomorrow, from her late resi-  
dence, 88 King's Road; friends and relations  
please attend without further notice.  
BUCKLER.—This morning, after a long illness,  
Jane, relict of the late John Buckler, aged 93  
years. Funeral on Tuesday next, from her  
daughter's residence, No. 11, Flavin's Lane.